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Flexible Graphite Sheets

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2002, designated paper number 5,
please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 2, line 4 with the following:

-- In addition to their utility in gasket materials, graphite laminates also find utility as heat transfer or cooling apparatus. The use of various solid structures as heat transporters is known in the art. For example, Banks, U.S. Patents 5,316,080 and 5,224,030 discloses the utility of diamonds and gas-derived graphite fibers, joined with a suitable binder, as heat transfer devices. Such devices are employed to passively conduct heat from a source, such as a semiconductor, to a heat sink. --